

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRJAVYAS):

(a) and (b). Doordarshan invited proposals for serials under the new sponsorship scheme in the following categories:

- (i) Family Serials
- (ii) Comedy serials
- (iii) Serials based on classics/novels
- (iv) Short stories
- (v) Detective serials
- (vi) Socially relevant Environment serials
- (vii) Science fiction
- (viii) Historicals/cultural
- (ix) Quiz programmes
- (x) Childrens 'serials (Cartoon/childrens' serials/animation)
- (xi) Documentaries

None of these proposed serials has so far been selected for telecast.

Telugu External Broadcast Service

5683. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the time allotted for Telugu External Service Programme of All India Radio;

(b) whether the Government propose to enhance the time limit for this purpose;

(c) whether the Government also propose to extend the Telugu External Service on All India Radio to benefit a large number of Telugu people living in United States of America and elsewhere; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRJA VYAS): (a) The time allotted to Telugu in the External Service of All India Radio is half-an-hour every day.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) There is, at present, no proposal to beam this service to United States of America and to the uncovered parts of the world.

(d) Does not arise.

Project of Maharashtra Pending Clearance

5684. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects of Maharashtra pending with the Planning Commission for its approval; and

(b) the time by which these projects are likely to be given approval?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The details of Major Irrigation Projects of Maharashtra pending for action in Planning Commission are given below:-

(1)	Gosikhurd (Indira Sagar Project)		
	Cost		Rs. 46119 lakhs
	Culturable Command Area (CCA)	-	2,00,000 ha.
	Annual Irrigation	-	2,50.800 ha
(2)	Bawanthadi Irrigation Project		
	Cost	-	Rs.16157.5 lakhs
	C.C.A	-	48848 ha.
	Annual Irrigation	-	57120 ha.
(3)	Wan		
	Cost	-	Rs. 4685.00 lakhs
	C.C.A	-	22525 ha.
	Annual Irrigation	-	19177 ha.
(4)	Koyana-Krishna Lift Scheme		
	Cost	-	Rs. 25910.70 lakhs
	C.C.A.	-	107164 ha.
	Annual Irrigation	-	85785 ha.

(b) The decision for the investment clearance for the above projects will depend upon the overall resource availability of the State and priorities to be attached to different sectors by the State Govt. in the forthcoming Eighth Plan.

Procedure for Allotment of Cadres to Officers of All India Services

5685. SHRI RAM NARESH SINGH:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the procedure followed in the allotment of cadres to the officers of the All India Services;

(b) the details of cases filed by officers of All India Services challenging or questioning cadre assignments in different High Courts and benches of the Central Administrative Tribunal during the last three years; and

(c) the orders passed by the Courts/ Tribunal thereon?